Durham County Transportation Advisory Board Meeting May 10, 2011

Present:

James R Sanders
David Keaveney
Joe Kilsheimer

Others Present:

Margaret Scully, DCA
Willie Williams, First Transit
Linda Crawford, RSVP
Vinson Hines, TTA

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

Board approved minutes from March 8, 2011 meeting (Motion made by Kilsheimer, seconded by Keaveney, passed unanimously)

Performance Reports:

Williams reported that complaints made regarding DCA service are usually related to the telephone system and the passenger's ability to make reservations.

Kilsheimer reported that he recently saw two consumers who waited beyond their 15-minute pick up time.

Williams reported that new MDC units, the addition of 10 operators and adjustments to the phone system will help with on-time performance.

Scully reviewed the EDTAP spent table for period ending April 30, 2011 and indicated a few agencies were over budget. The Board approved a motion to allow Mobility Manager to re-allocate funds between TPP and agencies to allow continued service through end of fiscal year. (Motion made by Kilsheimer, seconded by Sanders, passed unanimously)

Updates:

The on-site Drug and Alcohol Testing Program Compliance Review report of corrective actions has been returned to the State

The Job Access/Reverse Commute 5316 grant application that staff made to the Durham Chapel-Hill Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization to fund additional work-related trips is on the current draft list of approved projects. MPO will report in June on official approval.

County received contract from NCDOT for the TTAP 5310 grant that staff submitted for additional non-emergency medical transportation. County will need to go through formal bid process to select vendor.

County received extension on the ARRA grant Period of Performance to 12/31/2011. This grant funds the Mobility Manager position and purchased three vehicles.

New Business:

Staff submitted TTAP 5317 New Freedom grant application to purchase additional trips and fund Mobility Manager position from 1/1/2012 through June 30, 2013.

Announcements:

NCDOT is requesting input on Statewide 2040 Transportation Plan.

First Transit staff and Scully presented findings of October 2010 Rider Survey and improvements to service at the monthly DATA public input meeting at Durham Station on May 4, 2011.

NCDOT PTD draft budget for FY2012 proposes cuts to ROAP.

Vinson reported that as of May 1, 2011, DATA began strictly enforcing the no-pay policy for para-transit passengers.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.